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### Elements in Course of Action

### Steps Prior to P Hour

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
P hour minus 24	5. Summon Congressional leaders to Washington	W.H.
	6. Notification as follows to key NATO countries by U.S. Ambassadors at capitals:	
P hour minus 12	U.K.	EUR
P hour minus 4	France	EUR
P hour minus 2	Germany, Canada, Italy, Turkey	EUR
P hour minus 12	7. Special intelligence briefing through intelligence channels of U.K. and Canada.	CIA
P hour minus 8	8. Approach to Latin American countries by U.S. Ambassadors in capitals to warn them possibility internal civil disturbances in next 24 hours and to ask for appointment with chief of state for P hour minus 8.2	ARA
P hour minus 6	9. Complete reinforcement of Guantanamo.	DOD
P hour minus 2	10. Notification to NAC.	EUR
P hour minus 2	11. Consultation with Congressional leaders.	W.H.
P hour minus 1/2	12. Inform remainder of allies, both in capitals and at organization headquarters where appropriate (SEATO, CENTO, ANZUS, China, Japan, Korea), and certain other non-Bloc countries.	

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<u>Time</u>	<u>-3- Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
P hour minus 2	13. Approach to chiefs of state by U.S. Ambassadors in Latin American countries, informing them of substance of President's statement and seeking their prompt support for convoking 'Organ of Consultation' and decision on Articles VI and VIII of Rio Treaty.	ARA
P hour	14. Military alerts declared in accordance DOD with foregoing.	
P hour	15. Evacuate dependents from Guantanamo.	DOD
P hour minus 1	16. Dobrynin informed, being given text of President's statement and transmittal message to Khrushchev which will also be delivered in Moscow as soon as possible thereafter.	Secretary
P hour	17. Take whatever action has been decided upon in reinforcing Europe.	DOD
P hour minus 1	18. All allied embassies in Washington given full briefings and hear President's statement.	
	Latin American Ambassadors	ARA
	All other Ambassadors	U
P hour	19. Ask for Security Council meeting for following morning.	USUN
P hour plus ½	20. Briefing of OAS Ambassadors	ARA
P hour plus 1	21. Briefing of Neutral Ambassadors.	Secretary
P hour plus 14	22. OAS meeting, at which the Secretary would represent the U.S., followed as quickly as possible by an 'Organ of Consultation' meeting.	ARA
P hour plus 14	23. Security Council meeting at which U.S. Representative would, pursuant to Article 54 of the Charter	USUN

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## Action Responsibility

Charter, inform the UN Security Council of the action being proposed to the OAS.

P hour plus 24. Following favorable OAS action, (State  
? issuance of Presidential Proclamation (Justice  
on ~~blockade~~ <sup>negative</sup> with grace period of 24 (W.H.  
hours.

25. Imposition of ~~blockade~~ *embargo* DOD

(This becomes B day)

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Action Contemplated

The objective of this action is immediately to stop a further buildup of an offensive capability in Cuba and ultimately to eliminate it. This initially involves a naval blockade against offensive weapons within the framework of the OAS and the Rio Treaty. Such a blockade might be expanded by subsequent steps to cover all types of goods and air transport. The action would be backed up by some form of surveillance of Cuba.

Elements in Course of Action

<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
A hour	Public statement by the President	Sorensen

Steps Prior to A Hour

A hour minus 24	1. Instructions to all military commands to go on DEFCON 2 or 3 as appropriate, effective at A hour.	DCD
A hour minus 24	2. COMAD and SAC instructed to put forces on such air and ground alert on A hour as dictated by military readiness requirements. (No publicity.)	DCD
A hour minus 24	3. Instructions to SACLANC to mobilize force for imposition of blockade.	DCD
A hour minus 24	4. Instructions to CINCARIB to prepare for furnishing military riot control support to selected Latin American countries.	DCD

A hour minus 24

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
A hour minus 24	5. Summon Congressional leaders to Washington	W.H.
	6. Notification as follows to key NATO countries by U. S. Ambassadors at capitals:	
A hour minus 12	U.K. (telephone from President to Macmillan)	EUR
A hour minus 8	Germany, France, Canada	EUR
A hour minus 4	Italy and Turkey	EUR
A hour minus 12	7. Special intelligence briefing through intelligence channels of U.K. and Canada.	CIA
A hour minus 12	8. Approach to Latin American countries by U. S. Ambassadors in capitals to warn them possibility internal civil disturbances in next 24 hours and to ask for appointment with chief of state for A hour minus 1.	ARA
A hour minus 6	9. Start action to evacuate dependents from Guantanamo. DOD (Substitute soldiers for dependents)	
A hour minus 4	10. Notification to MAC, possibly through special emissary, to assist Finletter. Such an emissary should have full briefing material.	EUR
A hour minus 4	11. Consultation with Congressional leaders.	W.H.
A hour minus 1	12. Inform remainder of allies, both in capitals and at organization headquarters where appropriate (SEATO, CENTO, ANZUS, China, Japan, Korea).	FE

A hour minus 1

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
A hour minus 1	13. Approach to chiefs of state by U. S. Ambassadors in Latin American countries, informing them of substance of President's statement and seeking their prompt support for convoking "Organ of Consultation" and decision on Articles VI and VIII of Rio Treaty.	APA
<i>Sept 24, 1961</i> A hour	14. Military alerts declared in accordance with foregoing.	BCD
A hour	15. Dobrynin informed, being given text of President's statement and transmittal message to Khrushchev which will also be delivered in Moscow as soon as possible thereafter.	Thompson
A hour	16. Take whatever action has been decided upon in reinforcing Europe.	BCD
A hour	17. All allied embassies in Washington given text of President's statement and full briefings:  Latin American Ambassadors  All other Ambassadors	APA  U
A hour	18. Ask for Security Council meeting for following morning.	USUN
<i>Sept 24, 1961</i> A hour plus 14	19. OAS meeting, at which the Secretary would represent the U.S., followed as quickly as possible by an "Organ of Consultation" meeting.	APA
A hour plus 14	20. Security Council meeting at which U. S. Representative would, pursuant to Article 54 of the Charter	USUN

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(Continuation of item 20)  
Charter, inform the UN Security Council of the  
action being proposed to the CAS.

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| A hour plus ? | 21. Following favorable CAS action, issuance of Presidential Proclamation on blockade. | (State<br>Justice<br>W.H. |
|               | 22. Imposition of blockade with appropriate grace period.                              | DOD                       |

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Elements in Course of Action

<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
A hour	Public statement by the President	Sorensen

Steps Prior to A Hour

A hour minus 24	1. Instructions to all military commands to go on DEFCON 2 or 3 as appropriate, effective at A hour.	DCD
A hour minus 24	2. CONAD and SAC instructed to put forces on such air and ground alert on A hour as dictated by military readiness requirements. (No publicity.)	DCD
A hour minus 24	3. Instructions to CINCLANT to mobilize force for imposition of blockade and to protect U.S. shipping.	DCD
A hour minus 24	4. Instructions to CINCARIB to prepare for furnishing military riot control support to selected Latin American countries.	DCD

A hour minus 24

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A hour minus 8	Germany, France, Canada	EUR
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A hour minus 12	7. Special intelligence briefing through intelligence channels of U.K. and Canada.	CIA
A hour minus 12	8. Approach to Latin American countries by U. S. Ambassadors in capitals to warn them possibility internal civil disturbances in next 24 hours and to ask for appointment with chief of state for A hour minus 1.	APA
A hour minus 6	9. Complete reinforcement of Guantanamo.	DD
A hour minus 4	10. Notification to MAC, possibly through special emissary, to assist Finletter. Such an emissary should have full briefing material.	EUR
A hour minus 4	11. Consultation with Congressional leaders.	W.H.
A hour minus 1	12. Inform remainder of allies, both in capitals and at organization headquarters where appropriate (SEATO, CENTO, ANZUS, China, Japan, Korea).	

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Action Responsibility</u>
A hour minus 1	13. Approach to chiefs of state by U.S. Ambassadors in Latin American countries, informing them of substance of President's statement and seeking their prompt support for convoking "Organ of Consultation" and decision on Articles VI and VIII of Rio Treaty.	ARA
A hour	14. Military alerts declared in accordance with foregoing.	DOD
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A hour plus ?	22. Following favorable OAS action, issuance of Presidential Proclamation on blockade with grace period of 24 hours.	(State (Justice (W.H.
	23. Imposition of blockade.  (This becomes 8 day)	DOD

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P hour minus 24 2.	CONAD AND SAC instructed to put forces on such air and ground alert on P hour as dictated by military readiness requirements. (No publicity.)	DOD
P hour minus 24 3.	Instructions to CINCLANT to mobilize force for imposition of blockade and to protect U.S. shipping.	DOD
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ARA

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- (Continuation of item 20)  
Charter, inform the UN Security Council of the action being proposed to the OAS.

P hour plus 24. ?	Following favorable OAS action, issuance of Presidential Proclamation on <del>blockade</del> <sup>quarantine</sup> with grace period of 24 hours.	(State (Justice (W.H.
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25. Imposition of ~~blockade~~ <sup>quarantine</sup> DOD  
(This becomes B day)